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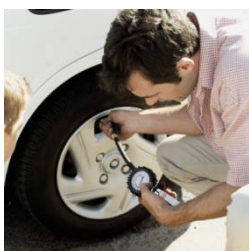
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## Under Pressure? Proper Tire Inflation Saves Energy, Money

*Event Offers FREE Tire Pressure Checks; Tips on Saving Gas for Members and Staff*



WHERE

**Rayburn Garage**

First Street (G2) Entrance

WHEN

**Wednesday, July 30<sup>th</sup> 2pm-6:30pm**

Dear Colleague:

The Department of Energy estimates that 1.2 billion gallons of fuel were wasted in 2005 as a result of driving on underinflated tires. With gas prices at an all time high, the simple step of keeping tires inflated will help ease pain at the pump, as well as reduce carbon emissions, a major threat to the environment.

Attached is a copy of an invitation you should have already received from the Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers (Auto Alliance) and the National Automobile Dealers Association (NADA) for an upcoming Tire Pressure Check event on Wednesday, July 30, from 2:00-6:30 p.m., in the Rayburn Garage at the First Street (G2) Entrance. During the event, service technicians will be on-hand to do tire pressure checks, inflate tires if necessary and distribute gas-saving and carbon emission reduction tips for drivers. Although the first Tire Pressure event will be held only on the G2 level of the Rayburn Garage, the Auto Alliance and NADA have indicated that they will hold subsequent events if there is interest from House Members and staff to do so.

I encourage any Members and staff who park in the Rayburn Garage to take advantage of this opportunity to maximize their fuel dollars while helping the environment. A map of the House Parking Garages, with the initial event location identified, appears on the reverse of this page. Additional tips on achieving energy efficiency through better car maintenance may be found on the <http://checkmytires.com> web site. For more information, contact the Committee on House Administration's Republican Office at 5-8281.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Vernon J. Ehlers".

Vernon J. Ehlers  
Ranking Republican Member

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COURTESY  
**Tire Pressure Checks**

The Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers and the National Automobile Dealer Association are pleased to offer courtesy tire inflation checks.

- ▶ The Department of Energy estimates that 1.2 billion gallons of fuel were wasted in 2005 as a result of driving on underinflated tires.
- ▶ Tires can deflate naturally, by as much as 1.5 PSI (pounds per square inch) a month.
- ▶ Experts estimate that 25% of automobiles are running on tires with lower than recommended pressure.
- ▶ Fuel efficiency is reduced by 1% for every 3 PSI that tires are under-inflated.

In order to accommodate all Members and House staff who are interested in participating, future tire pressure checks are planned for additional House parking facilities. If you are unable to attend a Capitol Hill event, but would like to learn more about how proper tire inflation can save fuel and reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, please contact the Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers at [info@autoalliance.org](mailto:info@autoalliance.org).

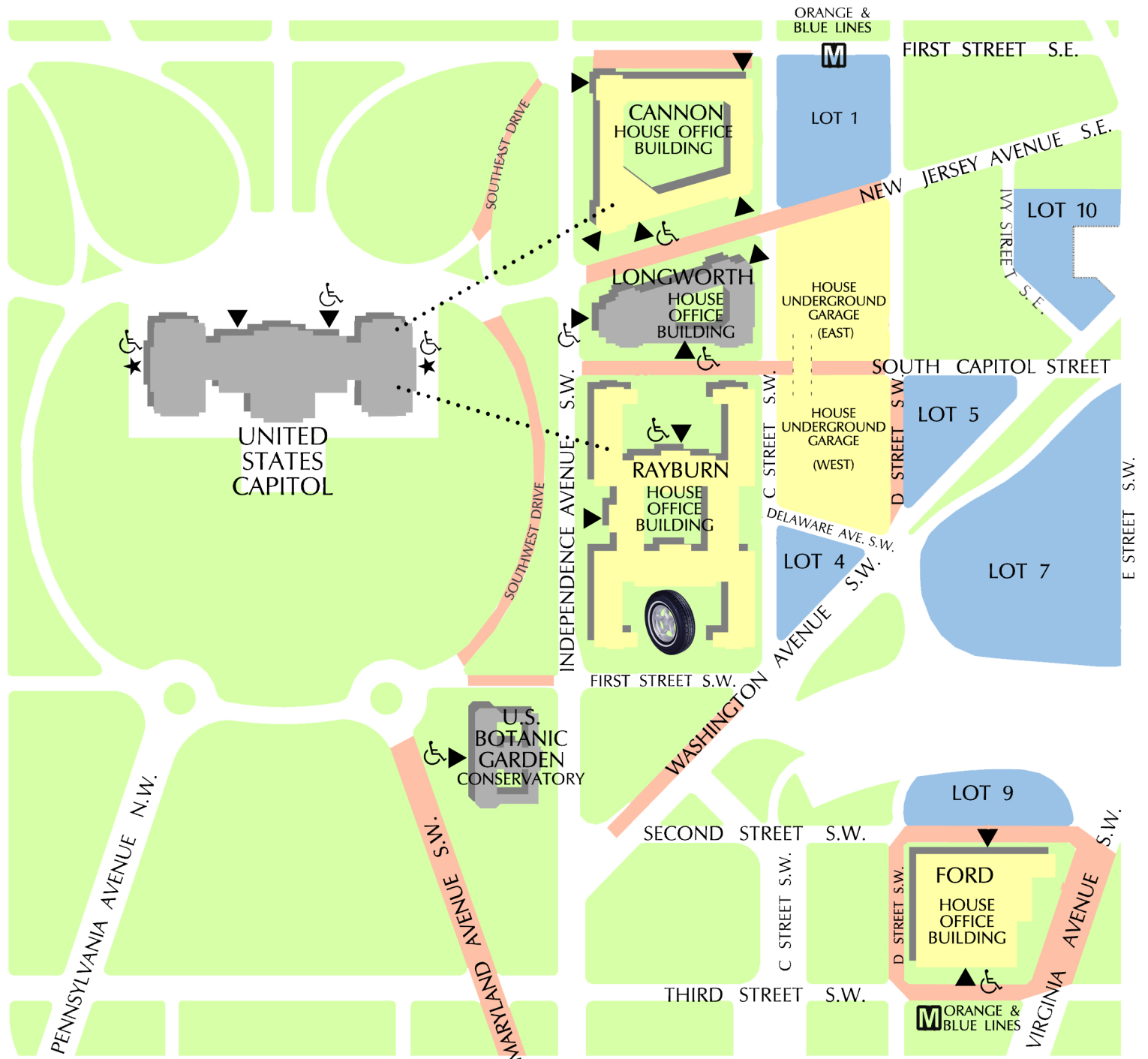


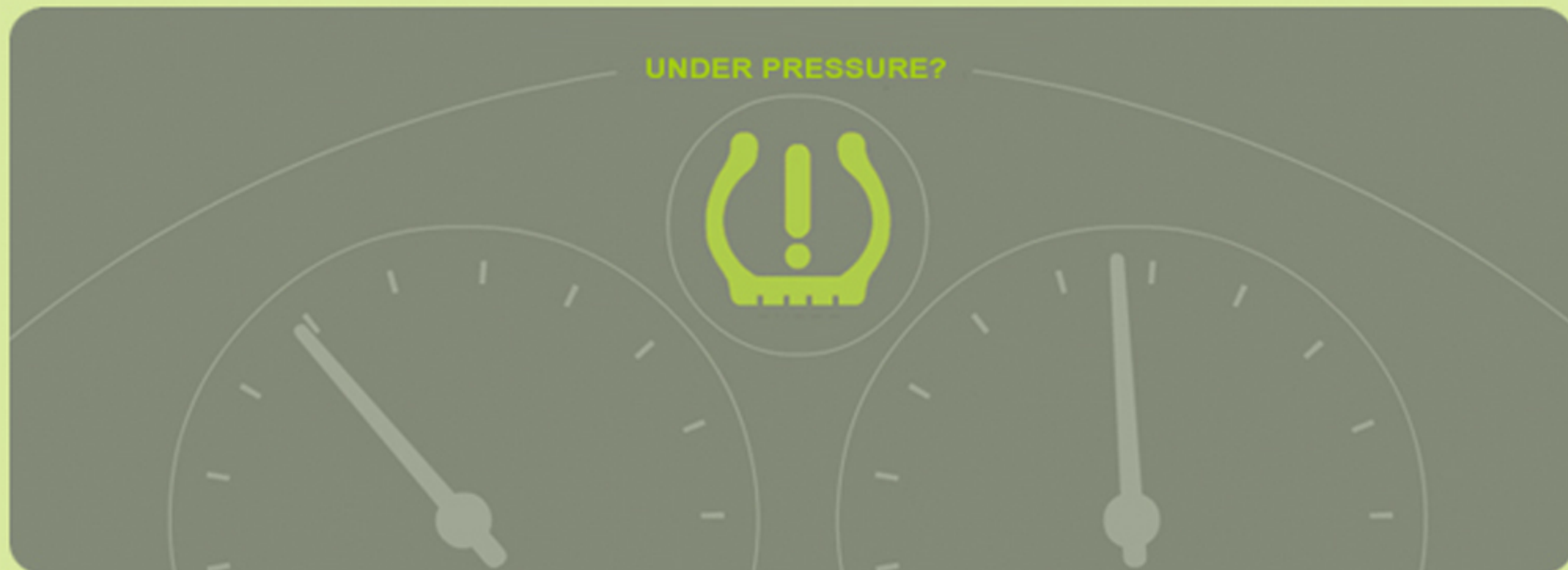
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## UNDER PRESSURE?

You're not alone. Research shows that 25% of Americans are driving around under pressure, tire pressure, that is.

Driving on under-inflated tires reduces fuel efficiency and the safe handling of your vehicle. In fact, keeping your tires properly inflated translates into a free tank of gas annually.

To learn more about tire pressure and if your vehicle's tires are under-inflated, join the Auto Alliance and the National Automobile Dealers Association on Wednesday, July 30 from 2-6:30pm in the Rayburn Garage. We will be offering complimentary tire pressure checks.

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### WHEN

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Learn more about tire pressure by logging on to

[www.checkmytires.com](http://www.checkmytires.com)